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Applicant(s): David WHITTEN et al.  
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For: ASSAY FOR PROTEASE ENZYME ACTIVITY  
Group Art Unit:  
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
LIST OF RELATED CASES  
FORM PTO-1449, INCLUDING SIX (6) CITED REFERENCES**

Our check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary extension of time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to Deposit Account No. 50-1442. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a request is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AA	2002/0051985	05/2002	WHITTEN et al.	435	6	05/08/2001

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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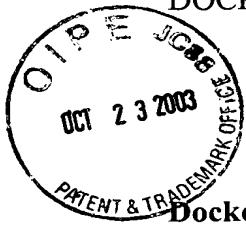
## OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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	AC	Robert M. JONES, et al., "Building highly sensitive dye assemblies for biosensing from molecular building blocks", PNAS, December 18, 2001, Vol. 98, No. 26, pp:14769-14772.
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	AF	Robert VASSAR et al., "β-Secretase Cleavage of Alzheimer's Amyloid Precursor Protein by the Transmembrane Aspartic Protease BACE", SCIENCE, Vol. 286, 22 October 1999, pp:735-741.

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED

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#### LIST OF RELATED CASES

Docket Number	Serial or Patent Number	Filing or Issue Date	Status or Patentee
8971-002-27 PROV	60/202,647	May 8, 2000	Expired
8971-005-27 PROV	60/276,090	March 16, 2001	Expired
8971-008-27	09/850,074	May 8, 2001	Pending
8971-019-27 PROV	60/314,101	August 23, 2001	Expired
8971-024-27	10/098,387	March 18, 2002	Pending
8971-027-27 PROV	60/426,034	November 14, 2002	Pending
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Sir:

Applicant(s) wish(es) to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- Applicant(s) wish(es) to make of record the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available full or partial English translations of any non-English-language documents.

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- with fee, appropriate certification above, and before payment of the Issue Fee.

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